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New Year Gala

City sets strict safety measures

Today marks the final day of the Winter Flower Show at the Mysore Palace, leading to a significant morning rush, with anticipation of even larger crowds in the evening. Later tonight, the Police Band is set to enthral the audience with performances by Karnataka and English Bands from 11 pm to 12 midnight. The New Year celebration is scheduled from 12 midnight to 12.15 am, featuring a spectacular display of green cracker fireworks.

Mysuru, Dec. 31 (MTY&BCT)- Mysuru is gearing up for a vibrant New Year's Eve celebration tonight.

Despite the sold-out status at party venues in hotels, resorts and clubs, last-minute preparations are underway to accommodate youngsters who traditionally engage in pub-hopping on the year's final day.

To maintain order and safety, numerous Police kiosks and check-posts will be strategically placed within the Central Business District (CBD) and along the Ring Road. Senior officers, beyond the rank of Inspectors, will conduct night rounds to oversee the festivities.

Over 25 hotels, clubs and resorts are hosting grand-scale celebrations, with entrance charges varying from Rs. 2,500 to Rs. 8,000 per couple. According to sources in the hospitality industry, venues priced between Rs. 2,500 and Rs. 4,000 offer limited food and drinks, while those charging above Rs. 5,000 per couple provide unlimited drinks and lavish buffets.

In anticipation of significant gatherings across the city, the Civil and Traffic Police have issued special guidelines and orders for enhanced safety measures. These directives will be in effect from this evening and will persist until 6 am tomorrow (Jan. 1).

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Echo of his brother's arrest in tree felling case

MP Pratap Simmha takes a swipe at CM Siddaramaiah

Pratap Simmha

Mysuru, Dec. 31 (BLU&DM)- Expressing dismay over his younger brother Vikram Simha's arrest in an illegal tree felling case in Hassan, Mysuru-Kodagu MP Pratap Simmha has taken a sarcastic swipe at Chief Minister Siddaramaiah, suggesting that one should learn the art of troubling others from Siddaramaiah. Addressing the media at his Vijayanagar residence this morning, Pratap Simmha ironically applauded Siddaramaiah for his promotion of his son's political career and his prowess in demeaning others.

Pratap Simmha sarcastically said, "I would like to appreciate Chief Minister Siddaramaiah for two reasons. One is the promotion of the political career of his son by making him an MP and the other is his expertise in degrading others. You are a great father and most children do not get such a father. You are playing games to finish off Pratap Simmha as I am coming in the way of your son's ambitions of becoming an MP."

"You are a brilliant politician. You have chosen to target me to divert public attention and media glare from the Belagavi incident where a helpless woman was stripped naked when the Assembly Session was underway in Belagavi. Your Minister Madhu Bangarappa has been sentenced in a cheque bounce case. But instead of arresting the convicted, you have targeted me and my younger brother," he said.

"An FIR has been filed in which Jayamma, Rajesh Shetty and Ravi have been named as the accused. The Forest Department officials have been unable to nab the accused thus far and the felled trees have been kept in Hassan's Aranya Bhavan. The officials were unable to arrest the accused till Dec. 24. I made a statement during Hanuma Jayanti celebrations and just two hours later, Congress leaders came up with social media posts that Pratap Simmha's brother is involved in tree smuggling," Pratap Simmha said.

(See MP on page 6)

PM Modi speaks about 'Fit India' in his last 'Mann Ki Baat' of 2023

New Delhi, Dec. 31 (PIB)- Prime Minister Narendra Modi this morning addressed the last 'Mann ki Baat' of this year. In the 108th episode of PM's radio programme, he said that India is becoming an 'innovation hub', which is a symbol of the fact that the people of the country are not going to stop.

"For us the importance of the number 108 and its sanctity is a subject of deep study. 108 beads in a rosary, chanting 108 times, 108 divine sites, 108 stairs in temples, 108 bells, this number 108 is associated with immense faith," the PM said.

Modi said that India is brimming with self-confidence, imbued with the spirit of 'Viksit Bharat' and the spirit of self-reliance. "We have to maintain the same spirit and momentum in 2024 as well," he added.

"It is on account of the strength of 140 crore Indians that this year, our country has attained many special achievements. In this very year, 'Nari Shakti Vandan Act', (Women's Reservation Act) which has been awaited for years was passed," he noted.

Addressing the matter of health and wellness, he said, "Nowadays we see how much there is talk about lifestyle-related Diseases, it is a matter of great concern for all of us, especially the youth." He also said that besides looking after our physical health it is also important to take care of one's mental health and well-being.

PM Narendra Modi

In his speech, PM Modi further requested the citizens of the country to keep writing to him about innovative health care start-ups that can help the country towards realising the dream of Fit India.

The PM spoke about 2023 being celebrated as International Year of Millets, which he also said was due to the efforts of India. "This has provided a lot of opportunities to start-ups working in this field," he further noted.

During the broadcast, Isha Foundation Founder Sadhguru, Indian Women's Cricket Team Captain Harmanpreet Kaur, chess legend Vishwanathan Anand and actor Akshay Kumar shared their fitness tips.

"India's achievements are the achievements of every Indian. We have to continuously work for the development of India keeping in mind the Panch Pran. Whatever work we do, whatever decision we make, our first criterion should be... what the country will get from it; what benefit it will bring to the country. Rashtra Pratham — Nation First — There is no greater mantra than this. Adhering to this mantra, we Indians will make our country developed and self-reliant," the Prime Minister said.

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"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."

Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Sunday 31st December 2023

Installation of Sri Rama Lalla's idol at Ayodhya

'Light at least 5 lamps in front of your house on Jan. 22'

Mysuru, Dec. 31 (GA&BS)- Shri Ram Janmabhoomi Teerth Kshetra Trust has appealed people to light at least five lamps in front of their house after sunset on Jan. 22, 2024, the day when Sri Ram Lalla's idol will be consecrated at Ayodhya Sri Ram Mandir built by the Trust.

Addressing media persons at Pathrakartara Bhavan here on Friday, VHP Mutt Mandir Dharma Prachara Pramukh Janardhan Rao said: "On Jan. 22, 2024 Prana Pratishtapane of Sri Ram Lalla's idol has been scheduled, during which the nation will turn into Ayodhya.

On the directions of the Trust, VHP, along with all the devotees of Sri Ram, will be reaching the sacred *mantrakshate,* letter of appeal, portraits of Sri Ram and Sri Ram Mandir from Ayodhya, to all the houses in every villages, during the nation-wide Sampark Abhiyan from Jan. 1, 2024 to Jan. 15, 2024."

The programme (Sri Ram Lalla's idol consecration) will be screened live on all the TV channels on the day at 11 am and everybody should watch the event. By placing the lamps facing north on the same day evening, the people should create a history. Every villages will organise puja, sankeerthane and perform arathi to mark the historical occasion, said Rao.

Leaders Madhushankar, Savitha Ghatke, Radhakrishna and Jagadish Hebbar were present at the press meet.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

We can spread kindness through so many random acts, big or small, to make someone's day. There are wonderful ways to spread positivity and make someone's day brighter, but not all involve spending money. Leaving a kind note for a stranger, even just offering a smile and a few kind words, holding the door for someone, picking up trash you see on the ground, donating blood — they all have the power to create a ripple effect of happiness and goodwill in the world.

Festivities during this time at our home start with building the Christmas tree on the first Sunday of December and putting up the star and crib.

Every evening, "Alexa" plays some of the traditional carols, and we have an open house. Friends and neighbours know that our home is open for cake and wine throughout the month and drop by to wish us and partake in the revelry.

On Christmas day, my sister was pleasantly surprised when she opened the door of her home in the morning. There was a lovely rangoli of Santa and a beautiful Christmas message done intricately and meticulously at her door by her neighbours. The best part was that they were non-Christian friends, and they chose to make a thoughtful gesture to their Christian neighbour who was celebrating the festival.

The world needs more of these kinds of tolerance, understanding, peace, love, happiness, and RAKs.

So go out there and spread some kindness today!

—Joseph K .Jose in Deccan Herald

NEWS SPARKLERS

World's largest Rubik's cube built in Dubai

Dubai: Dubai Knowledge Park celebrated its 20th anniversary by creating the world's largest Rubik's cube. The park, which is home to 700 schools and other educational institutions, built a functioning puzzle cube measuring 9.8 feet on each side.

The fiberglass cube weighs in at more than 660 pounds. The puzzle was examined by Guinness World Records officials and confirmed to be the largest Rubik's cube in the world.

Dubai Knowledge Park said on social media the cube was built to "mirror the approach to lifelong learning at Dubai Knowledge Park, where every step represents a new skill acquired, a complex task conquered and a knowledge gap filled."

This stunning plant faces threat of extinction

San Jose: Native to the rainforests of Costa Rica, Ecuador, and various Central and South American countries, Psychotria elata, commonly referred to as the Hot Lips Plant or Hooker's Lips Plant, stands as a remarkable botanical wonder in the tropical flora.

What makes this plant special are its special leaves, called bracts. These bracts look like two shiny, red, fleshy lips that are similar to human lips. This eye-catching part is helpful in attracting pollinators such as hummingbirds and butterflies.

People gift the plant to their family and friends to show their love, especially on Valentine's Day. Its bark and leaves are also used to treat several diseases, including skin irritation.

Unfortunately, the gradual disappearance of this plant is attributed to deforestation and climate change. Therefore special care and protection are provided to ensure the survival of this rare species, preventing us from bidding it farewell.

HEALTH CAPSULE

Tobacco smoke is a major contributor to respiratory diseases, including chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) and lung cancer. Quitting smoking is one of the most impactful steps for lung health.

By Dr. Lakshmi Narasimhan R – Consultant – Pulmonology
Manipal Hospital, Mysore

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**** Health Capsule is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature***

KSRTC Workers Federation to fete CM on Jan. 23

Mysuru, Dec. 31 (MTY&BS)- KSRTC Workers Federation Hon. President B.S. Suresh said, "Chief Minister Siddaramaiah will be felicitated in the city on Jan. 23, 2024, for the revival of Karnataka State Road Transport Corporation (KSRTC) with Shakti Scheme of the State Government."

Addressing media persons at Pathrakartara Bhavan in city on Wednesday, Suresh said, "Ever since the launch of Shakti Scheme, about 128 crore women have travelled in KSRTC buses generating a revenue of Rs. 6 crore to KSRTC. Earlier, salary was delayed for several months due to revenue shortfall. Now, the situation has improved with the reimbursement of amount under Shakti Scheme to KSRTC and the salary is disbursed on time, bringing smiles on the faces of family members of KSRTC employees."

About 12,000 KSRTC employees and their family members from across the State are expected to attend the felicitation ceremony, that would be organised either at Dasara Exhibition Grounds or Maharaja's College Grounds, added Suresh.

Federation Office-bearers were present at the press meet.

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Yesterday's level **96.81 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,273.29 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,830.63 feet**
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REALLY...?

- ***The first public 'bus' line was launched in France in 1662 when Blaise Pascal developed a system of horse-drawn carriages that ran across Paris streets on schedule. However, the initiative hit the wall we would now call "a failed product-market fit": the carriages were only available to nobility, and their interest in the novelty, unsupported by a real need, faded within a decade.***

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

Teacher:
Tell me the longest sentence you can think of.

Student:
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TODAY'S CURRENCY RATE

1 US Dollar	= Rs. 83.25
1 UK Pound	= Rs. 106.06
1 UAE Dirham	= Rs. 22.67
1 Euro	= Rs. 92.04

VOICE OF THE READER

Install F.K. Irani statue inside

Sankalp Central Park: A suggestion

Sir,

This refers to KBG's *Abracadabra* in *Star of Mysore* dated Dec. 29 recommending installation of a statue of Farrokh K. Irani (F.K. Irani) in city. Yes, a nice idea indeed! But, the venue?

There's the Sankalp Central Park right in Yadavagiri. The proposed statue can be installed right within the premises of Central Park, though it is a private residential enclave. Hope, residents too might welcome the proposal.

It can be an artwork with late Farrokh K. Irani standing tall. **A model of the original JAWA bike too can be part of the statue,** with Irani just slightly leaning against his bike.

The Mysuru Chapter of the CII too can be consulted for better guidance in this matter.

—D.V.M. Prakash

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Jayadeva Hospital is a model one to the entire country: Dr. Manjunath

Bengaluru's Sri Jayadeva Institute of Cardiovascular Sciences and Research Director Dr. C.N. Manjunath** (2nd from left) **lighting the lamp to inaugurate the anniversary celebration of Mysuru's Jaydeva Hospital located on KRS Road in city yesterday as others look on.

Mysuru, Dec. 31 (MTY&DM)- Bengaluru's Sri Jayadeva Institute of Cardiovascular Sciences and Research Director Dr. C.N. Manjunath said that the Jayadeva Hospital is a model to the entire country. He was speaking after inaugurating the anniversary celebration of Mysuru's Jaydeva Hospital located on KRS Road here yesterday.

Pointing out that the Jayadeva Hospital, Mysuru, has recorded an enormous growth of 500 percent in the 16 years of its existence, Dr. Manjunath said that the Hospital has treated 75 lakh patients and has conducted heart operation to over 2 lakh patients thus far.

Noting that the Jayadeva Hospital which has 2,000 beds has earned national fame over the years, he said that 45-50 organisations have continued to offer donations to the Hospital, which has helped in the treatment of poor patients.

Stating that the Hospital has not turned back any patient on the grounds that he / she cannot pay the Hospital bills, he lauded the services of Mysuru Jayadeva Hospital since its establishment.

Jayadeva Hospital-Mysuru Medical Superintendent Dr. K.S. Sadananda, faculty Dr. Shankar Sira, Dr. Shivaswamy Sosale, Dr. Santosh, Dr. Rajith, Dr. Veena Nanjappa, Dr. Hema Ravish, Dr. Jayaprakash, Dr. Pashupathi, Dr. Manjunath, Dr. Bharati, Dr. Rashmi, Dr. Srinidhi Hegde, Dr. Nikhil and Dr. Devaraj, Nursing Superintendent Harish Kumar, PRO Champakamala, Singer Harsha and Roopashri were present.

COVID-infected person with comorbidities dies in city

Mysuru, Dec. 31 (PM&KS)- A COVID-infected elderly man with comorbidities (simultaneous presence of two or more diseases or medical conditions), passed away in city yesterday.

The deceased is aged about 74 years and was suffering from Blood Pressure (BP), heart-related ailments and respiratory problems. He was admitted to a private hospital in city and was subjected to tests which confirmed that he was infected with COVID virus.

Sources in the Health Department said that COVID infection was not the direct cause for the death besides stating that there was no need to panic.

Expert advises against immediate cutting of umbilical cord

Dr. Satyan Lakshminrusimha, Chair of Paediatrics, UC Davis, speaking at the CME lecture programme at Sigma Hospital in Saraswathipuram yesterday.

Mysuru, Dec. 31 (MK&DM)- Dr. Satyan Lakshminrusimha, Chair of Paediatrics, UC Davis, USA, has advised against immediate cutting of umbilical cord, as it gives rise to breathing problems in the new born infant.

He was speaking at the CME (Continuing Medical Education) lecture on the topic 'Respiratory distress in a term newborn' organised under the aegis of Indian Academy of Paediatrics (IAP), Mysuru Chapter, at Sigma Hospital in Saraswathipuram here yesterday.

Pointing out that there will be 80 ML of blood in newborn and 40 ML blood in umbilical cord, Dr. Satyan Lakshminrusimha said that the blood that remains in the umbilical cord is that of the new born. As such, doctors should wait for at least 30 to 120 seconds for complete transfer of blood to the newborn, before cutting the umbilical cord.

Noting that in the older times, doctors used to wait for sometime before cutting the umbilical cord, he said that this practice changed in the 1950s with doctors cutting the cord soon after child birth. This new practice has resulted in respiratory distress in newborn as the full quantity of blood will not be transferred to the newborn. But research studies have shown that waiting for some time before cutting the umbilical cord has significantly lessened the respiratory distress in newborns.

Continuing, Dr. Lakshminrusimha said that it is better for pregnant women to have discussions with the doctor on implications after child birth.

"A newborn may also suffer respiratory distress due to fluid collection in lungs (Pulmonary edema) and the foetus waste discharge in the mother's womb itself. As such, utmost caution is needed before maternity and measures must be taken in cases where the newborn's lungs is filled with fluid. It is better to make the newborn rest in the most suitable manner," he said.

Referring to COVID-affected pregnant women, he said that turning alternately to the left and right during sleep will help the affected. "It is very important to immediately test the newborn for any COVID stains. Also, precautionary measures must be taken to ensure that there is no health risks for the COVID-affected mother and her newborn," he said.

Stressing on the need for pregnant women to maintain a good health and fitness, he said that consumption of nutritious food and exercising will help a lot. He also advised pregnant women to undergo periodical tests in the interests of herself and that of her womb and foetus.

MMC&RI former Dean and Director Dr. Krishnamurthy, Paediatricians Dr. S.N. Mothi, Dr. Rajeshwari, Dr. U.G. Shenoy, Dr. Anjali Siddesh, Dr. Nandita and others were present.

Mysuru to host National Sports Meet of Ekalavya Residential Schools from Jan. 8 to 12, 2024

Formal inauguration by Tribal Affairs Minister Arjun Munda on Jan. 7

Mysuru, Dec. 31 (DM)- Mysuru will host National Sports Meet of Union Government's Ekalavya Model Residential Schools from Jan. 8 to 12, 2024.

Chairing a preparatory meeting in this regard at the DC's office here yesterday, ST Welfare Department and Department of Youth Empowerment & Sports (DYES) Principal Secretary Manjunath Prasad said that the Sports Meet will be formally inaugurated by Union Minister of Tribal Affairs Arjun Munda and a few other Ministers on Jan. 7.

Pointing out that more than 4,500 students from Ekalavya Schools and about 1,500 teachers from across the country will be taking part in the 5-day Sports Meet, he said that the Meet is being organised in Mysuru for the first time at an estimated cost of Rs. 20 crore.

Continuing, Prasad said that the Sports Meet will take place at 5 venues across Mysuru and the concerned departments are working out the Logistics for the event. He further said that the participants must be introduced to the rich culture and heritage of Mysuru by taking them to the Palace, Chamundi Hill, etc.

DYES Deputy Director Dr. Jitendra Shetty said that the Sports Meet will feature 10 team events and 18 athletics events. Stating that necessary arrangements are being made for the Meet, he said that 3,500 participants are already covered under Insurance.

Pointing out that the new COVID guidelines will be followed , Dr. Shetty said that Nodal Officers will be appointed for every State. The place and time of the sporting events and the details of the assigned Nodal Officers have already been dispatched, he added.

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NEWS BRIEFS

Ayurveda Camp

JSS Ayurveda Hospital, Lalithadripura Road, Alanahalli, Mysuru, will be conducting Ayurveda camp for 'Migraine Headache' from Jan. 1 to 6 at its premises between 9.30 am and 4.30 pm. Patients suffering from migraine with symptoms like one sided headache, pulsating headache, nausea, vomiting or sensitivity to light or sound, may avail the benefits of the camp. For details, contact Ph: 0821-2548231 or Mob: 95261-50158, according to a press release.

Power disruption

As Chamundeshwari Electricity Supply Corporation (CESC) has taken up 4th quarterly maintenance works at 66/11 KV Bannur Power Distribution Centre, there will be power disruption on Jan. 2 between 10 am and 5 pm in the following places: Bannur Town, Kodagalli, Bisihalli, Hegguru, Attalli, Ketupura, Rangasamudra villages and Gram Panchayat limits, according to a press release from the CESC Executive Engineer, Nanjangud Division.

Free Online Meditation Camp

Gurukripa Meditation Centre, Mysuru, has organised free online hypnotic meditation session 'Pyramid Chariot Yatra' on Jan. 1, at 9.30 pm through zoom online session. For details, contact Mob: 91417-58569, according to a press release from Dr. U. Ganesh Rao.

Discourse on 'Bhagavad Gita'

Sri Raghavendraswamy Seva Samiti (Sri Raghavendraswamy Mutt), Jayalakshmipuram, has organised a discourse on 'Bhagavad Gita - 14th Chapter' at the Mutt premises in Jayalakshmipuram from Jan. 2 to 6 between 5 pm and 6 pm, according to a press release.

171st birthday of Sri Sarada Devi

The 171st birthday of Holy Mother Sri Sarada Devi will be celebrated on Jan. 3, 2024, at Sri Ramakrishna Ashram in Yadavagiri as per the following programmes: Vedic chanting at 5.15 am; Mangalarati & Bhajans at 5.30 am; Special Puja at 7.30 am; Lalitasahasranama Chanting at 8 am; Bhajans at 9 am; Scripture reading at 10.35 am; Arati at 10.45 am; Homa at 11 am; Prasada distribution at 12 noon; Bhajans by Sri Sharada Samvit Bhajana Mandali from 4.30 pm to 5.30 pm; Discourse in Kannada on 'Sri Mate Sarada Devi' from 6 pm to 6.50 pm; Arati and Special Bhajans from 7 pm to 8 pm, according to a press release.

Tribal Fest-2023 keeps alive indigenous art, culture

Mysuru, Dec. 31- Joint Director of Kannada and Culture Department V.N. Mallikarjuna Swamy said "Tribals who have been practicing ancestral culture and tradition, have still made the indigenous culture an integral part of their life."

He was speaking after inaugurating Tribal Fest-2023, organised under Tribal Sub-Plan by the Kannada and Culture Department at Mini Theatre in Kalamandira on Hunsur Road in city yesterday.

"We should preserve our indigenous culture, as Karnataka once boasted of myriad cultures in practice in various parts, which have now gone extinct. But still the tribal culture hold the distinction for being rare and oldest that exist till date," added Mallikarjuna Swamy.

Kannada and Culture Department has been organising various programmes throughout the year to create awareness among the people about culture, literature and tradition rooted with the land, he said.

For the last 60 years, the Department has been organising various programmes that keep alive the art, literature, culture, Kannada land and language, with the finest examples in this regard being Mysore Dasara, Hampi Utsava, Chalukya Utsava, Lakkundi Utsava, Navarasapura Utsava, Anegundi Utsava, Banavasi Utsava, Jalapathotsava to name a few among several other festivals.

The programmes are aimed at identifying the art of even microscopic communities and preserve them by taking them to mainstream of the society, said Mallikarjuna Swamy.

Earlier Chamaraja MLA K. Harishgowda gave a kickstart to the procession of cultural troupes by beating the drums.

Assistant Director of Kannada and Culture Department Dr. M.D. Sudarshan, who also spoke said "The programmes were mainly aimed at exhibiting tribal arts and all the artistes who took part in the events belong to Scheduled Tribe (ST) category. "

D.K. Lokesh and troupe from Doddamaranahalli rendered a light music concert, Javara Nayaka and troupe from H.D. Kote rendered a folk song concert, Rajeshwari and troupe presented devotional music, P. Devanna and troupe from Kalale in Nanjangud taluk presented 'Tatva Padas,' Ramya and troupe performed 'Dollu Kunita,' Challan and troupe from H.D. Kote performed 'Betta Kuruba' traditional dance, Ramesh and troupe from Nanachchigadde hamlet performed 'Adalemara' dance, Rajashekar and troupe from Talakad performed 'Chilipili Gombe' dance, R. Prathap and troupe from Kalale in Nanjangud taluk recited 'Kombu Kahale,' Ramesh and troupe from Panjalli Colony, H.D. Kote, performed 'Karadi' dance' and Lilli and troupe from Yallapur, performed 'Damami' dance.

Efforts on for world recognition to Sanskrit, says MP Simmha

Mysuru, Dec. 31 (SPN&BS)- Sanskrit literary works offer many interesting facts to pore over, but the language still awaits its global recognition, rued Mysuru-Kodagu MP Pratap Simmha.

He was speaking after releasing 'Sudharma Sanskrit Calendar-2024,' at Nataraja Mandira, Shankar Mutt Road, Khille Mohalla in city on Saturday.

"I have a full knowledge of journalism, as I have worked under the leadership of Vishweshwar Bhat for several years. I have also witnessed joys and sorrows associated with the realm from close quarters. Sudharma Sanskrit newspaper holds the distinction of being the world's only journal in particular language and it's a matter of pride that it continues to be in circulation from the past several years," said Simmha.

The Architect of Indian Constitution Dr.B.R. Ambedkar learnt Sanskrit language from a reputed scholar to study deeply about Hindu religion. With this, he also shared intricate details behind studying many varied subjects, added Simmha.

After becoming the Prime Minister Narendra Modi is making efforts to get global recognition for Yoga, Ayurveda and several other age-old culture of the land. It is due to his efforts that United Nations announced International Day of Yoga. Similar efforts are being made for Sanskrit to get world recognition and we have to join hands in this regard, said Simmha in his call to the gathering.

The erstwhile rulers of princely Mysore State Nalwadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar and Jayachamaraja Wadiyar encouraged Sanskrit and other indigenous culture during their rule. The words fall short in explaining their contributions. It is again due to the erstwhile royal family of Mysore that the city got sobriquets like — Tourist Hub, Cultural City among others were coined, lauded Simmha.

Sanskrit is a trove of Veda, Upanishath and several other subjects which we eulogise, but we hesitate to learn the language. Hence this language still remains a language of scholars than becoming a common man's language, regretted Simmha.

Member of the erstwhile royal family Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar said "Braving odds, the publishers of *Sudharma* have been bringing out the edition for the last 50 years, for their love towards Sanskrit, which is a matter of pride. Every native of the State identifies themselves as Kannadiga, but it is also true that they all are Indians."

Sudharma is the nation's only Sanskrit journal and we at Mysore Palace always encourage such noble initiatives, especially at a time when the younger generation is looking towards hybrid culture, said Yaduveer.

Vidwan Dr. Deepak Bhat delivered a special lecture on 'Sundarakanda'. Krishnaraja MLA T.S. Srivatsa, Hon. Editor of *Sudharma* Dr. H.V. Nagaraja Rao, Vidwan Dr. V.D. Hegde, Vidwan Dr. T.V. Sathyanarayan, industrialist R. Guru and Vidwan Dr. Ganapathi R. Bhat were present.

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The members of the Sangha, who are from lower- and middle-class families have been agitating for their rights for the last more than 35 years and most of them are senior citizens in the age group of 65 to 85 years. Our clients were in peaceful possession and enjoyment of their respective sites, when a joint mahazar was conducted by all the concerned Government Authorities / Departments, who called upon our clients to surrender their physical possession voluntarily, for the formation of the Vishwamanava Double Road, so as to consider their applications. Believing in their words our clients handed over the possession of the said sites voluntarily.

Our clients were all along were under the bona fide belief that the concerned authorities would redress their grievances as assured by various authorities and government departments.

We state that our clients were the Applicants / Petitioners before various forums and courts of law and like to bring the following facts before the General Public to falsify the news appearing in the above mentioned daily, by some elected representatives who are holding responsible positions, who are no way concerned with the said lands are making wrongful allegations without ascertaining the facts at the behest of Mr.VEER KUMAR JAIN, S/o Late Sri B.C.Jain, Aged about 72 years, C/o ASWML Siddalingapura Post, B.M.Road, Mysore, Represented by his POA Holder, Sri R.Yatish Chandra, S/o P.Ramanuja, Aged about 54 years, R/at No.23, 6th Cross, Shivaji Road, N.R.Mohalla, Mysore -570007, or any persons claiming through or under him:-

Our client states that Mr.VEER KUMAR JAIN, had purchased the lands from the said lands lords after getting its de-notified.The said denotification was struck down and the said lands was a subject matter of acquisition by the MUDA. The said acquisition was challenged before the Hon'ble High Court in WP No.32714/2010 & W.P.32792/2010, which came to be dismissed on 28.10.2014.Aggrieved by the said order Mr.VEER KUMAR JAIN preferred a W.A.437/2014.

Our clients being aggrieved by the endorsements dated 25-10-2014 and 21-01-2015 issued by the MUDA, filed WP No.51523-662/2015 seeking for issue of a direction to consider the representation dated 27- 11-2014 of the members and regularize and allot the sites at Sri. Chamundeshwarinagara Layout sites in Sy. Nos. 15/1-2, 18/4, 19/1-2, 20/1-2-3, 27/1-2-3-4, 32, 38/1-2, 40/1-2-3 and 41/2, of Kharab land situated in Dattagahalli Village, Mysore Taluk and District. At the time of hearing of WP No.51523/2015, it was brought to the notice of the learned single Judge about the letter dated 22/02/1997 whereby the MUDA submitted plan to the Secretary, Urban Development Authority and informed that the Authority had obtained legal advice and sought permission to allot the sites to the petitioner/members of the Association by collecting necessary fees.

When the matter came up for hearing, the MUDA submitted that in respect of the lands in question, Sri Veerkumar Jain has filed WP No.32714/2010 challenging the acquisition notifications and as the said writ petition was dismissed, and he had filed WA No.437/2014; wherein an order of status quo was granted and the appeal is pending consideration. In view of the said submission, the learned Judge dismissed the WP No.51523-662/2015 on 06.12.2016, with an observation that land in question for which regularization is sought by the members is already the subject matter of acquisition before Division Bench of this Court in WA No.437/2014; and the MUDA cannot be faulted in refusing the regularization of land in question to our clients, i.e., the Members of the Association, as long as the acquisition proceedings are not finalized.

Our clients against the dismissal of the WP No.51523-662/2015 on 06.12.2016 preferred a Writ Appeal WA No.5681/2017, which also was dismissed on 27/2/2023 on the ground that the land in respect of which the members are seeking regularization is the subject matter of acquisition proceedings; which is pending in WA No.437/2014. The members further submit that this Hon'ble Court was pleased to dismiss the said WA No.437/2014 on the same day i.e., 27/02/2023.

Our clients, pursuant to the dismissal of the WA No.437/2014, made a representation to the MUDA to allot sites and put them in possession and regularize their title over those sites and that they are ready to bear the applicable fees and some of its members filed RP No.135/2023; seeking review of the order dated 27/02/2023 passed in WA No.5681/2017.

The Hon'ble Court was pleased to dispose of the RP No.135/2023 holding that it would be open to the MUDA to take action for allotment of sites in favour of members in W.P No.51523-662/2015 and MUDA undertook before this hon'ble court that suitable action for allotment of sites shall be taken in pursuance of the Government Order No.NaAaE 113 BhooBaDi 97 Bangalore dated 11/07/1997 and the board resolution dated 21/03/2023 within a period of 8 weeks.

Sri Veerakumar Jain who was arraigned as respondent in the R.P.No.135/2023, challenged the said order passed in R.P.NO.135/2023 by preferring a Special Leave to Appeal (C) No.14868/2023, before the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India, which came to be dismissed, when it had come up for admissions with costs. Instead of challenging the order passed in WA No.437/2014, Mr Veerkumar Jain has challenged the order passed in R.P.No.135/2023, which goes to show that the acquisition proceedings has attained finality and the said lands vests with the MUDA.

Out clients-initiated Contempt Proceeding before the Hon'ble High Court in CCC No.655/2023, for non-compliance of the order passed in R.P.NO.135/2023 and the responsibility of issuing the remaining allotments, execution of the title deeds and handing over of the possession of site is bestowed on the MUDA, vide order dated 21.12.2023, which has to be complied within 4 weeks not later than 5 weeks.

Our clients would like to bring it to the knowledge of the General Public that the MUDA has implemented the orders passed in R.P.No.135/2023 and sites have been allotted to our clients from the said above lands which was restored back to MUDA after the acquisition proceedings were up held in favour of the MUDA. It is pertinent to state that the MUDA has been collecting the cost for the sites which are being allotted to the members of the sangha.

Our clients state that some person/s including Mr VEERKUMAR JAIN, without any matter of right, title or interest in the said lands, had been spreading false and frivolous information in respect of the said lands there by bring disrespect to our clients, our clients have obtained a restraining order from the IIIrd Additional Civil Judge and JMFC, Mysore in O.S.870/2023, against the publication, airing of any news against our client. Our clients reserve their rights to move against the new paper for violation of the said order in which even they shall be held responsible for all the cost and consequences.

Our client further instructs us to state that the Lands in Question belongs the Mysore Urban Development Authority as the acquisition proceeding has been upheld and the same remains unchallenged and it has attained finality.

Hence, we state that the MUDA has been complying with the order of the courts and has been allotting the sites only to the members of our client CHAMUNDESHWARI NAGARA SARVODAYA SANGHA (R) who are the Petitioners before the Courts of Law and not to any land grabbers or third parties as alleged in the said news papers and further it is warned that the General Public, should not to indulge in spreading of false propaganda in respect of the said lands (which has lost its nature of lands subsequent to the allotments) as the matters are seized before the courts between Our clients and the MUDA, and, if any person or person/s have got any matter of right, title or interest in the said lands, they may work out their rights by approaching the courts of law and if they indulge in spreading of false information before any print or electronic or any other mode without ascertain the facts, then they shall be subjected to Contempt Proceedings as there is a restraining order operating against the publication or airing of any news pertaining the CHAMUNDESHWARI NAGARA SARVODAYA SANGHA (R).

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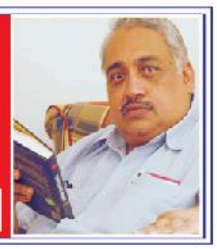
Over a cup of evening Tea

By Dr. K. Javeed Nayeem, MD



Beating the loneliness pandemic!

My last article about loneliness and what it is doing to our present-day society has unsurprisingly drawn a spate of responses from my readers, both young and old, over the last two weeks. I use the word 'unsurprisingly' because we all know how widespread is **'the strange lonely feeling'** which haunts a great many people these days. **Yes, gone are the days when some occasional individuals in our neighbourhood or among our friends or relatives used to complain of being left lonely and all alone, with no one to spend some time with them, let alone look after them and their day-to-day needs. It is estimated that on an average, about thirty five percent of people across the world, complain of feeling lonely, not just now and then, but on a regular basis. And, this is not just a problem of the aged, because an increasing number of those who are young too are being engulfed by this malady.**

Having realised that just plain loneliness is disturbing and sometimes even ruining the lives of their citizens, many Governments have thought it sensible to do something seriously to beat this problem, which has now certainly assumed alarming proportions and has thus become almost a worldwide pandemic. That is why, the Governments of quite a few countries, across the world, have now appointed Ministers for loneliness, which may seem very strange and unusual, if not entirely comical. But that is a fact.

A **'Ministry for Loneliness'** might sound like a poignant literary creation, from a work of fiction about scenarios to come in the future, but it is very much in existence, in the living present. **In what has rightly been perceived as one of the greatest public health challenges of our time, loneliness is best defined as the gaping chasm between how connected our minds and hearts yearn to be and how connected we actually are, in our daily lives.** With almost forty percent of its citizens reporting that they were being increasingly overwhelmed by a sense of loneliness, on and off, Britain was the first country in the world to realise that something had to be done on a war-footing, to combat the problem before it became unbeatable.

That is when **Tracy Crouch** was appointed as the first Minister for Loneliness in the **Theresa May** Cabinet. Close on the heels of this new development, Japan, another island nation, half a world apart, too felt that it needed to do something to handle the problem of loneliness that was bothering its fast-increasing geriatric population, which was the result of the increasing life expectancy of its people. So, **Tetsushi Sakamoto** became its first Minister for Loneliness.

Incidentally, Japan which has some monickers like **Hara Kiri** and **Kamikaze** for two of its rather strange and macabre traditions, also has a specific word for death due to loneliness and that word is **Kodukushi.** Although the problem of loneliness has been in existence for long, even before COVID-19 came on the scene, the global pandemic and the extended lockdowns that followed, have made loneliness even worse, particularly among groups that already were vexed with its bite.

Now, countries around the world are recognising the public health effects of loneliness and have deduced that it is closely associated with poor physical and mental health outcomes, including higher rates of, depression, cognitive decline and even mortality. As a result of this realisation, Government agencies and even citizens' Self-Help Groups are evolving strategies and practical solutions to mitigate its impact.

For instance, in Britain, Royal mail workers are being tasked with checking on the state of the mental health and state of happiness of all older people, as a part of their delivery rounds and filing their reports to their social welfare authorities. **But the question that comes to my mind is that with hardly anyone writing old-fashioned letters to anyone, using paper, how many people's lives can be looked into even by the postal delivery personnel, who have hardly any letters to deliver?**

So, what is it that we can do to tackle this very tricky but all too real problem? This is the question almost every one of the readers who responded to my last article, asked me. And, on my part, I started off trying to find answers, by discussing the options with a few of my like-minded friends.

We all felt that there are a few areas where we can begin and if we do it, I'm sure we will be heading in the right direction, although the destination we hope to reach, may still seem very distant. For a start, we can create small groups where we can encourage people, especially the elderly, who lead lonely lives in the community, to meet at least once a week at some convenient time and place and spend a little time just chatting.

And, mark my word, just chatting, can be a great revealer and healer too, because people can then discuss their doubts, anxieties and apprehensions, which alone, can take away a good deal of their mental burden. This activity can be made easier if we create public spaces around our commercial areas and apartment blocks, with benches, toilets, cafes, telephone booths, chemists' shops and basic health care centres surrounded by some refreshing greenery around, where people in need of some company can congregate.

Over many years, whenever I happen to go that way, I've been seeing this kind of a scenario, around the Jayanagar Shopping Complex in Bengaluru, although it is not accompanied by all the facilities I have spoken about. Come evening and you can see elderly people, many of them barely able to walk comfortably, attired in warm clothes, even when it is not too cold, arriving one by one, like roosting birds and occupying their self-designated regular places, next to their friends.

A coffee or tea seller, a peanut or popcorn vendor and a newspaper or boot polish boy, who too are the local regulars, are enough to polish their flagging spirits! They thus spend a happy hour and a half, till the fading daylight and enveloping dusk, silently tell them that it is time to get up and head back to their homes and solitude. That some of them could just not hear what their friends said, despite wearing their hearing aids and cupping their curved palms to their ears, does not seem to matter at all. **Just the pretence of having understood what they did not hear and having seen the toothless smiles they flashed to each other, serve as the best medicine for all their aches and pains, both physical and mental, till the next evening!**

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MP Pratap Simmha takes a swipe at CM

(Continued from page 1)

"The FIR did not name my brother as an accused. But still, the Forest officials arrested my brother in an effort to finish me off politically. The CM is misleading the public regarding the tree felling case," Pratap Simmha said while again taking on the CM.

Stating that the CM was using all false propaganda to politically finish him off, Pratap Simmha questioned the CM why he was dragging his (MP) family members into the case.

"Your son has forsaken his Assembly seat to you. Now you have to rehabilitate him politically, for which you are ready to go any distance and do whatever you like. I would like to ask you to arrest even my aged mother and sister. Let your family politics continue, for which you are keen to finish off my family," he said.

"Despite all this, I would like to tell you that you do not have too many ways. The people of Mysuru-Kodagu will not let me down for any reason. Even Goddesses Chamundeshwari and Cauvery too will not. You may make any number of attempts or come up with game-plans to tarnish my image and finish me off politically. There are no other options for you other than playing dirty tricks on me," he said.

New Year Gala

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The City Police are leaving no stone unturned to ensure the safety of residents during New Year celebrations. A comprehensive plan has been put in place, starting with a general briefing and duty allocation session for all Policemen and officers at their respective Police Stations and the City Police Commissioner's Office at 3 pm today.

In an effort to curb potential incidents of drunken driving, special drives and penalties have been organised. Measures have been implemented to prevent eve-teasing or misbehaviour under the guise of public greetings, with special task force teams formed to address and legally deal with such incidents. A dedicated Pink Garuda (Chamundi Force) security force, comprising 8 officers and staff members, has been established to prioritise the protection of women.

Robust surveillance system

The city has been equipped with a robust surveillance system, featuring 334 CCTV cameras strategically placed, with 59 at key locations and an additional 275 in crucial areas. Visuals will be monitored at the Control Room and a Mobile Command and Control Vehicle stationed near the Mysore Palace will also oversee the footage.

Three DCPs, 12 ACPs, 30 Police Inspectors, 42 SIs, 70 ASIs, 550 HCs and Constables and 80 other security staff will be on duty on New Year eve. This apart, 12 units of KSRP, CAR Police, 4 Commando Force units, 1 Dog Squad and 4 Anti-sabotage units will be on duty.

The Traffic Police are set to take action against wheeling, drag racing and raucous noise. Rapid response teams will be deployed in all areas to ensure compliance with traffic rules, with special teams actively checking for drunk-driving, wheelies and drag races throughout night until 6 am. Police teams, equipped with body cameras, will monitor these activities closely.

Protection of women

In line with efforts to prioritise women's safety, eight teams from the Chamundi Force will survey and monitor parties where the number of women participants is high. Data collected from hotels will facilitate frequent surveillance by these teams.

To ensure a controlled and safe environment, vehicular traffic to Chamundi Hill will be prohibited after 9 pm. Entry will be restricted, with special passes issued only to residents of the Hill. This measure aims to prevent accidents and drunken driving, reflecting the authorities' commitment to a secure and incident-free New Year celebration.

Arun Yogiraj's Ram Lalla idol

Trust's final decision still under wraps

'It speaks to you': Sculpture selection process done, idol reflecting 5-yr-old Ram Lalla chosen

Mysuru, Dec. 31 (BCT)- Has the Ram Lalla idol, intricately crafted by the skilled Mysuru-based sculptor Arun Yogiraj, been chosen for the 'Pran Pratishtha' scheduled for January 22, 2024 in Ayodhya? The air of anticipation lingers as the Board of Shree Ram Janmabhoomi Teerth Kshetra Trust remains discreet about the ultimate selection.

Arun Yogiraj

Arun Yogiraj was one of the three artisans across the nation entrusted with the task of sculpting the statues of the child form of Lord Ram, known as Ram Lalla, for consecration. The other two sculptors involved in this divine undertaking are Ganesh Bhatt from Bengaluru and Satya Narayan Pandey from Rajasthan.

Trustee Bimlendra Mohan Pratap Mishra has announced the completion of the selection process for the idol of Lord Ram Lalla. The Trust convened on Friday to conduct a voting process determining the idol that will grace the sanctum sanctorum of the grand temple next month.

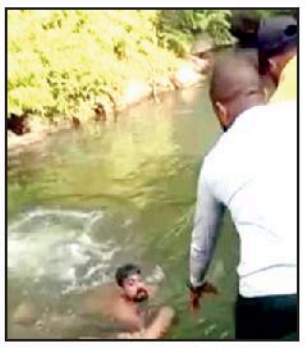
Responding to queries about the criteria for idol selection, Bimlendra told reporters in New Delhi yesterday that the idol has a captivating presence, casting a spell on those who lay eyes on it. Shri Ram Janmabhoomi Teerth Kshetra Trust is tasked with the construction and management of Ayodhya's majestic Ram Temple.

Champat Rai, the Secretary of the Trust shared insights into the selection process, emphasising that even when multiple idols are presented, the one that stands out as the best captures everyone's attention. He mentioned a voting system where preferences were expressed, and the unanimously chosen idol will be used for the upcoming Pran Pratishtha.

Arun Yogiraj devoted six months to carve the idol, standing at an impressive eight feet, including the pedestal, and spanning three-and-a-half feet in width, adorned with an ornate 'Prabhavali.' The statue intricately portrays Lord Ram holding a bow and arrow, symbolising Lord Ram, the divine persona during his childhood. The highly anticipated 'Pran Pratishtha' or consecration ceremony of Lord Ram Lalla at the Ram Temple in Ayodhya is scheduled for 12:20 pm on Jan. 22, 2024. This auspicious event will transpire within the garbha griha (sanctum sanctorum) of the temple, housing the idol depicting the 5-year-old child form of Lord Ram.

Post the consecration ceremony, devotees will have the opportunity for darshan of Ram Lalla. The garbha griha holds paramount significance as the abode of the presiding deity and is set to become one of the largest sanctum sanctorums in the world within the magnificent Ram Temple in Ayodhya.

Three engineering students meet watery grave in Kodagu



Madikeri, Dec. 31 (PS&KS)- Three engineering students drowned in Barapole (*Konkana Hole*) River at Beguru village in Ponnampet taluk of Kodagu district yesterday afternoon.

The deceased students are Rashik Kushalappa (20) of Srimangala Nemmale village, Mangetiera P. Akash Biddappa (20) of Jodubeeti village and Uluvangada Sudesh Aiyappa (20) of Srimangala village. All the deceased were pursuing their second year engineering course at Coorg Institute of Technology (CIT) at Ponnampet.

A total of four students had gone to Barapole River which is 5 kms away from their college yesterday afternoon and three of them ventured into the waters while one of them sat on the banks as he was suffering from leg pain. When the three students entered the river, they were swept away due to strong current and were drowned.

Ponnampet Police, who rushed to the spot, fished out the three bodies with the help of Teetimada Pavi, Kademada Anil Kalappa, Teetimada Sadan and Teetimada Suguna. The Cops conducted mahazar, registered a case and shifted the bodies to Gonikoppa Government Community Health Centre for post-mortem.

Gonikoppa Station House Officer (SHO) B.S. Roopa Devi, Ponnampet SHO Naveen, Srimangala SHO Shivanand and staff visited the spot and conducted an inspection. Ponnampet Police are investigating.

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Sd/- **Gaurav Hospet Manjunath**

Students turn bus shelter into parking lot

Mysuru, Dec. 31 (BS) - A bus shelter near Sri Jayachamarajendra College of Engineering (SJCE) campus on Chaduranga Road in city has turned into a vehicle parking lot.

The bus shelter was built under MLA Local Area Development (MLA LAD) Funds during the tenure of H.S. Shankaralingegowda, for the benefit of commuters who wait for the buses. However, the students have been allegedly parking their vehicles inside, thus defeating the purpose of building the shelter. Strangely, even the Traffic Police have turned a blind eye towards the issue.

What's intriguing here is, the students who are not allowed inside SJCE campus without helmet, have found an alternative space in the bus shelter to park their vehicles. The college authorities have been stern in implementing the rule in campus, in the interest of safety of students.

The Police, who regularly patrol the stretch of road three to four times in a day, also stay put up during the opening and closing hours of the college by stationing their vehicle. But the Police have to also turn their eye on the bus shelter that has been converted into an illegal parking lot by the students, urge the commuters.

Ex-Mayor alleges stoppage of site registration and Khata issuance

Mysuru, Dec.31 (GA&DM)- With the MUDA handing over control of several layouts beyond the Ring Road to Gram Panchayats, former Mayor B.L. Byrappa alleged that the MUDA has stopped registration of sites and issue of Khata transfer and other land records, which has put the public to a lot of hardship.

Addressing a press meet here recently, Byrappa said that land developers and site buyers seem to be at the receiving end as MUDA is not responding to them and so also the Gram Panchayats which are handed over control of Layouts by MUDA. As such, the Chief Minister should look into the issue and find a solution to the problem, he said.

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THE YEAR GONE BY...

JANUARY

Jan. 2 : Demonetisation - No flaw in Centre's decision, rules Supreme Court; DCFs Kamala Karikalan and Dr. V. Karikalan promoted and transferred to Dharwad; Sri Siddeshwara Swamiji (82) of Vijayapura passes away.

Jan. 5 : Union Minister for Road Transport and Highways Nitin Gadkari conducts aerial survey 10-lane Mysuru-Bengaluru Expressway.

Jan. 6 : Australian Consulate-General for South India, Sarah Kirlew, based in Chennai, visits Palace.

Jan. 7 : Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai inaugurates BJP SC Morcha National Executive Meet at Lalitha Mahal; Archbishop Emeritus of Archdiocese Bangalore, Most Rev. Bernard Moras, appointed as Administrator of Diocese of Mysore.

Jan. 12 : Former Union Minister Sharad Yadav (75) dies.

Jan. 16 : Bengaluru-Mysuru inter-city electric bus service begins.

Jan. 19 : Social activist P. Mallesh (89) passes away.

Jan. 20 : MCC holds first Zonewise Adalat.

Jan. 29 : **CM Bommai inaugurates Dr. Vishnuvardhan Memorial at Haalaalu, Mysuru-H.D. Kote Road.**

Jan. 31 : Former Law Minister Shanti Bhushan dies at 97; Vocalist C. Lalitha of 'Bombay Sisters' fame passes away at 84; S. Janhavi takes charge as DCP (Crime and Traffic) in place of M.S. Geetha Prasanna.

FEBRUARY

Feb. 1 : Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman presents Budget; Retired District Treasury Officer Chottemada S. Muthanna (94) no more.

Feb. 3 : Retired HAL Research Scientist Dr. N.R. Keshavan (78) no more.

Feb. 4 : Veteran singer Vani Jayaram dies at 77.

Feb. 5 : Ex-Pak President Gen. Pervez Musharraf (79) dies.

Feb. 6 : Princess Krishnajammanni Super-Speciality Hospital and Trauma Care Centre opened in city.

Feb. 7 : Indian composer Ricky Kej wins third Grammy.

Feb. 8 : Mayor Shivakumar launches Online MCC Adalat; Gold sculptor B.N. Channappacharya (87) dies.

Feb. 9 : Dronacharya awardee C.A. Kuttappa returns as Head Coach of Indian men's boxing team.

Feb. 10 : Former Minister T. John (92) passes away.

Feb. 12 : Freedom fighter from Chamarajanagar K.M. Thotappa (92) passes away.

Feb. 13 : **Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurates Aero India 2023 in Bengaluru.**

Feb. 14 : Former MLC H. Honnappa (72) passes away.

Feb. 17 : CM Basavaraj Bommai presents budget.

Feb. 18 : Telugu actor Nandamuri Taraka Ratna (39) dies.

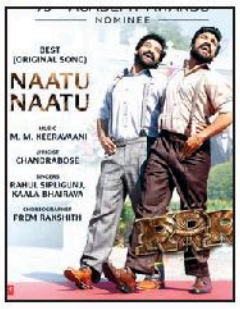
Feb. 19 : Tamil Comedy actor R. Mayilsamy (57) no more.

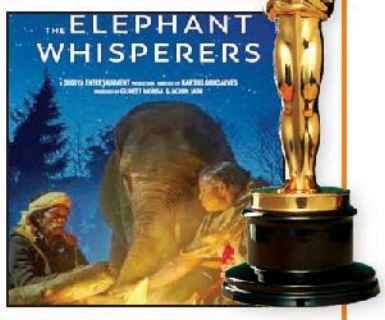
Feb. 20 : Veteran Kannada Film Director S.K. Bhagavan (90) of Dorai-Bhagavan fame passes away.

Feb. 24 : Hotelier R. Nagaraj Prasad (85) dies.

Feb. 25 : Mysore Palace among '7 Wonders of Karnataka.'

MARCH





Mar. 3 : City Hotelier Hayavadana Achar (76) dies.

Mar. 6 : EVM demo centre opens at Mysuru DC Office.

Mar. 8 : Litterateur Prof. Maleyuru Guruswamy (76) no more; Actor-Director Satish Kaushik dies at 66.

Mar. 10 : Shilpi Agarwal takes charge as Divisional Railway Manager of SWR, Mysuru Division, from outgoing DRM Rahul Agarwal.

Mar. 11 : Former Chamarajanagar MP R. Dhruvanarayan (61) passes away.

Mar. 12 : PM Modi opens Bengaluru-Mysuru Highway; Former Ambassador A. Madhavan (89) dies.

Mar. 13 : **India Shines at Oscars: *RRR's* 'Naatu Naatu', *'The Elephant Whisperers'* win awards.**

Mar. 14 : Dismantling of Lakshmi Talkies begins.

Mar. 18 : CM Bommai unveils 108-ft tall statue of Lord Mahadeshwara at MM Hills, Chamarajanagar.

Mar. 20 : Isha Foundation's Sadhguru Jaggi Vasudev delivers Convocation address at JSS STU.

Mar. 23 : 'Modi surname' defamation case - Rahul Gandhi convicted, granted bail; Shravanabelagola Jain Mutt Seer Sri Charukeerti Bhattaraka Swamiji (73) passes away; Prof. N.K. Lokanath is new VC of Mysore University; Former Minister Anjanamurthy (77) passes away.

Mar. 24 : Parliament disqualifies Rahul Gandhi as MP.

Mar. 26 : Veteran Malayalam actor and former MP Innocent dies at 75.

APRIL

Apr. 2 : Former cricketer Salim Durani dies at 88.

Apr. 5 : Prez Droupadi Murmu presents *Padma Bhushan* to Dr. S.L. Bhyrappa, Sudha Murty, Dr. Khadar V. Dudekula; *Padma Shri* to Rani Machaiah.

Apr. 6 : Ex-cricketer & SVEEP Ambassador Javagal Srinath launches voter awareness campaign in city.

Apr. 8 : Prime Minister Narendra Modi in city.

Apr. 9 : **President Droupadi Murmu flies in Fighter Jet.** PM Modi goes on a safari at Bandipur.

Apr. 12 : Former Mahindra Group Chairman Keshub Mahindra dies at 99; Legal expert Dr. C.K.N. Raja passes away at 91.

Apr. 16 : Former CM Jagadish Shettar resigns as MLA.

Apr. 23 : 36-year-old Manoj Kumar anointed as successor of Siddaganga Mutt, Tumakuru; Gemini Sankaran, Founder of Gemini, Jumbo and The Great Royal Circus, dies at 99.

Apr. 24 : Amit Shah offers prayers at Chamundi Hill temple; Sandalwood actor Tapori Satya dies at 45.

Apr. 25 : Priyanka Gandhi's addresses rally in T. Narasipur; Congress leader D.B. Inamdar (77) dies; Yoga exponent H. Kushi is District SVEEP Icon; Ex-Punjab CM Parkash Singh Badal dies at 95.

Apr. 26 : UP CM Yogi Adityanath's Road Show in Mandya; Priyanka Gandhi savours idli-dosa at city hotel.

Apr. 29 : Defence Minister Rajnath Singh in Mysuru.

Apr. 30 : PM Modi holds Road Show in city.

MAY

May 2 : Home Minister Amit Shah campaigns at Varuna; Sharad Pawar resigns as Chief of Nationalist Congress Party; Priyanka Gandhi in Mandya.

May 7 : Union Minister of External Affairs S. Jaishankar in city; Dasara Jumbo Balarama (67) dies.

May 10 : Karnataka Assembly Elections held.

May 11 : Retired MUDA Superintending Engineer H.L. Prasanna (61) dies.

May 13 : Congress wins Assembly elections.

May 14 : Addanda Cariappa quits as Rangayana Director.

May 18 : **Siddaramaiah sworn-in as Karnataka's 24th CM, D.K. Shivakumar his Deputy.**

May 19 : Ophthalmologist Dr. K. Bhujang Shetty (69) dies.

May 20 : Dr. Alok Mohan is new DG&IGP.

May 21 : Former Udupi MLA U.R. Sabhapathy (71) passes away; *'RRR'* actor Ray Stevenson dies at 58.

May 22 : Actor Sarath Babu passes away at 71.

May 23 : Actor Aditya Singh Rajput (32) found dead in Mumbai; U.T. Khader elected Speaker.

May 24 : Consultant Dermatologist at Manipal Hospital Dr. D.P. Jayanth (47) no more.

May 25 : DGP Praveen Sood takes charge as CBI Director; JD(S) State President C.M. Ibrahim, Youth Wing President Nikhil Kumaraswamy resign.

May 26 : Noted critic Prof. G.H. Nayak (88) passes away.

May 28 : PM dedicates Parliament building to Nation.

May 31 : ADGP B. Dayananda is Bengaluru City Top Cop.

JUNE

June 1 : Trainer jet crashes in Chamarajanagar.

June 2 : Actor Nithin Gopi (39) no more. Horrific 3-train collision in Odisha's Balasore.

June 3 : 'Veer Savarkar Samman' conferred on noted writer and historian Vikram Sampath.

June 5 : Mysuru City Corporation's Budget for the year 2023-2024 presented. Mahabharata's 'Shakuni Mama' Gufi Paintal passes away at 79.

June 6 : Karnatak vocalist Dr. Gowri Kuppuswamy passes away at 92. Actress-turned-MP Sumalatha Ambarish and late Rebel Star Ambarish's actor-son Abhishek Ambarish weds Fashion Guru Prasad Bidapa's daughter Aviva Bidapa.

June 7 : Senior IPS Officer Hemanth Nimbalkar takes charge as the new Commissioner of the Department of Information and Public Relations.

June 9 : Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa is Mysuru District incharge Minister.

June 13 : **Union Minister Shobha Karandlaje inaugurates Rozgar Mela in Mysuru.**

June 14 : Ch.Hill PRASHAD scheme gets Centre's nod.

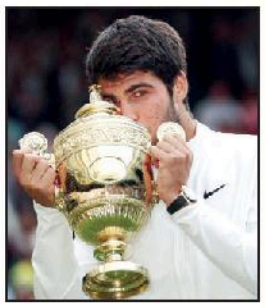
June 18 : Upa Lokayukta K.N. Phaneendra pays surprise visit to K.R. Hospital and Cheluvamba Hospital.

June 23 : Dr. M.B. Boralingaiah takes charge as DIGP, Southern Range.

June 26 : Yakshagana artiste Tonse Jayanth Kumar passes away at 78.

THE YEAR THAT WAS 2023

JULY



July 1 : The 7th edition of 2-day Mysuru Literature Festival, organised by Mysuru Literary Forum Charitable Trust and Mysuru Book Clubs - 2015, begins at Hotel Southern Star in city.

July 2 : NCP splits - Ajit Pawar takes over as Maharashtra Deputy CM. JSS Sangeetha Sabha Founding-Organiser B.C. Rajagopal (85) passes away.

July 3 : Dr. P.C. Kumaraswamy is new Mysuru DHO.

July 7 : Congress MLA Rudrappa Lamani elected as Deputy Speaker in Legislative Assembly.

July 8 : Jain Muni Kamkumar Nandi Maharaj murdered in Chikkodi in Belagavi district.

July 10 : Shilpa Nag takes charge as Chamarajanagar DC.

July 12 : US appoints India origin Geeta Rao as Ambassador. Sericulture Scientist Dr. M.N. Narasimhanna (93) no more.

July 14 : ISRO's Chandrayaan-3 launched.

July 15 : **Marketa Vondrousova becomes first unseeded Women's Singles Champion at Wimbledon.**

July 16 : NGT State Committee Chairman Justice Subhash B. Adi cracks whip on vendors selling plastic. **Spain's Carlos Alcaraz wins Wimbledon title.**

July 18 : Ex-Kerala CM Oommen Chandy (80) no more.

July 26 : ADGP Alok Kumar inspects traffic system.

July 29 : CM Siddaramaiah travels on Expressway.

July 31 : G20's Think20 Summit in city. Adichunchanagiri Varsity Pro-VC Dr. K. Byrappa (69) no more.

AUGUST

Aug. 2 : Bomman and Bellie of Oscar-winning documentary 'Elephant Whisperers', chosen Brand Ambassadors for SKAL India Congress 2023.

Aug. 4 : Criminal defamation case over Modi surname remark - SC stays conviction of Rahul Gandhi.

Aug. 6 : Sandalwood actor Vijay Raghavendra's wife Spandana (41) dies of heart attack in Bangkok.

Aug. 10 : High Court quashes PIL against demolition of Devaraja Market.

Aug. 12 : CM Siddaramaiah inaugurates two-day Karnataka State-level Advocates' 10th Conference in Mysuru city.

Aug. 15 : Bangiya Samiti-Mysuru President Ashish Kumar Das (77) passes away at Prague in Europe.

Aug. 18 : City girl Falkia Khan 'Brand Ambassador' of Swachh Survekshan-2023.

Aug. 21 : Gen. K.S. Thimayya Statue at Madikeri collapses as KSRTC bus crashes on it.

Aug. 23 : **ISRO's Chandrayaan-3 lands on Moon.**

Aug. 30 : Congress MP Rahul Gandhi launches Gruha Lakshmi Scheme in city; Freedom fighter B.S. Ramachandra Rao (96) no more.

Aug. 31 : Venkatesh alias Aane Venkatesh (40), tranquiliser expert involved in several elephant rescue operations, succumbs to injuries after one such operation went awry, at Halliyuru near Alur; TikTok star 'Smile' Naveen murdered - 8 arrested.

SEPTEMBER

Sept. 1 : Plastic ban atop Chamundi Hill comes into force; DCF S. Prabhakaran takes charge as the new Director of Bandipur Tiger Reserve.

Sept. 2 : India's maiden space-based solar observation mission, Aditya L1 launched aboard PSLV rocket from Satish Dhawan Space Centre in Sriharikota; ISRO scientist Valarmathi, the iconic voice of rocket launch countdowns, dies at 64.

Sept. 3 : EX-Zimbabwe Captain Heath Streak dies at 49.

Sept. 7 : Legendary cartoonist Ajit Ninan (68) no more.

Sept. 9 : PM Modi inaugurates G20 summit in Delhi.

Sept. 10: Djokovic defeats Daniil Medvedev to win US Open, clinches 24th Grand Slam singles crown.

Sept. 11: CM Siddaramaiah inaugurates new building of Adichunchanagiri Mysuru Branch Mutt, BGS Samskrutika Bhavan and Free Student Hostel in Hebbal, Mysuru; Former Mysore Municipal Commr. S. Swatantra Rao passes away at 80.

Sept. 12: Mysuru-born Dr. Preeti Aghalayam is IIT Zanzibar-Tanzania Director.

Sept. 13: Freedom fighter R.S. Srinivasarao (97) no more.

Sept. 21: MCC starts laying 8.72-km dedicated cycle tracks; VeKare Trust President M.N. Subramani (67) passes away; Prof. N.K. Lokanath takes charge as UoM VC again after HC grants stay.

Sept. 29: **Cauvery water-sharing row - Karnataka Bandh Total.**

OCTOBER

Oct. 9 : Journalist G.N. Ranganatha Rao (81) dies.

Oct. 10 : Boudha Bikku Veeryasheela Bhanteji, Founder of Rajagruha Buddha Vihar at Byathahalli near Kadakola, no more; Freedom fighter C.R. Rangashetty passes away at 98.

Oct. 11 : B.A. Kailashchand Jain of Mysuru elected as National President of Shri Akhila Bharatiya Jaymal Jain Shravak Sangh.

Oct. 12 : Historic Elgin Fountain Circle renovated.

Oct. 15 : Film music composer-lyricist Dr. Hamsalekha inaugurates Dasara 2023; Noted Music Scholar Dr. Padma Murthy conferred 'Rajya Sangeetha Vidwan' award; Hunsur-based veteran theatre personality A. Narayana Rai conferred 'Rangagourava' award at Rangayana; Former Chief Election Commissioner M.S. Gill dies at 86.

Oct. 18 : Governor-Chancellor Thaawarchand Gehlot confers Honorary Doctorates of Mysore University on Dr. P.S. Shankar, Emeritus Professor of Medicine, Rajiv Gandhi University of Health Sciences, Bengaluru; K.B. Ganapathy, Founder-Editor, *Star of Mysore* & *Mysuru Mithra* and Javagal Srinath, former International Cricketer.

Oct. 23 : Dasara 2023 Air Show held; Indian Cricket Great Bishan Singh Bedi dies at 77.

Oct. 24 : **CM Siddaramaiah inaugurates Jumboo Savari.**

Oct. 25 : CM opens Lingambudhi Lake Botanical Garden.

NOVEMBER

Nov. 2 : State Rajyotsava Award for six from Mysuru and two from Chamarajanagar — Javarappa (Media), P. Gangadhara Swamy (Theatre), Dr. Kabbinale Vasanth Bharadwaj and 'Mimicry' Dayanand (Miscellaneous), P. Gowraiah (Fine Arts), Mahadevu (Folklore), B.N. Sriram Publications; Prof. Gopalan Jagadish (Science and Technology) and Prof. C. Naganna (Literature).

Nov. 3 : Maithri School for Mentally Retarded Children Founder Prof. N. Venkoba Rao (87) no more.

Nov. 5 : Vidwan Angadimaru Krishna Bhat dies at 105.

Nov. 7 : Former MP D.B. Chandre Gowda dies at 87.

Nov. 8 : Ex-Himalayan Car rallyist D.R. Shivram (71) dies.

Nov. 9 : Senior RSS leader U. Vittalrao (94) passes away.

Nov. 15 : B.Y. Vijayendra takes charge as State BJP President; Former Editor-in-Charge of 'The Week' T.R. Gopalakrishnan passes away at 72.

Nov. 17 : BJP MLA R. Ashok named Leader of Opposition.

Nov. 19 : Ammathi Kodava Samaja former President Mookonda Bose Devaiah (60) passes away; Ex-RBI Governor S. Venkitaramanan dies at 92; India loses to Australia in ODI World Cup-2023.

Nov. 23 : India's first woman Supreme Court Judge Fathima Beevi passes away at 96.

Nov. 25 : **CM inaugurates Bengaluru 'Kambala'.**

Nov. 29 : Former US Secretary of State Henry Kissinger dies at 100.

DECEMBER

Dec. 4 : 64-year-old Dasara elephant & 8-time Golden Howdah carrier Arjuna gored to death by wild.

Dec. 5 : Veteran photographer K.V. Subbarao (92) dies; CID TV serial actor Dinesh Phadnis (57) no more.

Dec. 7 : Hollywood stars Michael Douglas, Catherine Zeta-Jones in Madikeri; ISRO Chairman Dr. S. Somanath inaugurates 9th International Food Convention in city.

Dec. 8 : MRC Committee Member Pandanda Apana Subaiya (53) passes away; Veteran Kannada film actress Leelavathi (85) no more; Statue of Dr. Sri Shivarathri Rajendra Swamiji installed at Gun House Circle.

Dec. 11 : J&K Special Status - SC upholds abrogation of Article 370; Former Karnataka High Court Judge N.K. Patil passes away.

Dec. 13 : **Major security breach in Parliament - Two intruders jump from gallery, spray gas.**

Dec. 17 : Kamakshi Hospital Trustee M. Ashok Shenoy dies at 61.

Dec. 24: Govt. ready to implement Ch.Hill ropeway: CM

Dec. 28: Former Zilla Panchayat President Nayeema Sultana (58) no more. Idol of Sri Rajarajeshwari Devi consecrated, Sri Hari Sannidhi unveiled at Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Ashram.

Dec. 30: PM Modi inaugurates redeveloped 'Ayodhya Dham' Rly. Station and new airport at Ayodhya.

Increase monthly pension of folk artistes: State Kannada Janapada Parishath President

Mysuru, Dec. 31 (GA&TRR)- State Kannada Janapada Parishath President S. Balaji has appealed the Karnataka Government to increase the monthly pension of folk artistes in the State and keep them at par with the pension of folk artistes of neighbouring Telangana State.

He made this appeal while speaking at a function to felicitate District Rajyotsava Awardee Kyathanahalli Prakash organised by University of Mysore (UoM) Researchers Association, Karnataka State Researchers Association, District Unit of Rajya Kannada Janapada Parishat, at EMMRC auditorium in Manasagangothri on Sunday. Many folk artistes were conferred with Jilla Janapada Prapancha and Yuva Janapada Prapancha awards at the function.

"State Government must set up Moodalapaya Yakshagana Academy and increase the monthly pension being given to the artistes. The present pension of Rs. 2,000 is very inadequate and not enough to meet even our medical expenses. There is a proposal to increase it to Rs. 3,000. But if it is increased to Rs. 5,000 it will help folk artistes to lead their life," said Balaji and regretted that the Government has neglected local artistes during the recently held Dasara celebrations and concluded by saying a State-level folk artistes conference is likely to be held in Mysuru shortly.

Senior journalist Amshi Prasannakumar, who spoke at the function, said folk is root of all arts and literature. The work of identifying and honouring rural folk artistes is not happening at Government-level to the desired extent. But, Balaji and Kyathanahalli Prakash are doing this work through Kannada Janapada Parishat. Despite no grants from the Government, they have provided platforms to hundreds of folk artistes," he added.

UoM Prasaranga Director Prof. Nanjaiah said that academies which are under the Government have become defunct. But State Kannada Janapada Parishat is engaged in recognising and encouraging neglected artistes. He also suggested that private television channels must organise exclusive folk reality shows and the Government to appoint Kyathanahalli Prakash as the President of Janapada Academy.

At the function, Jilla Janapada Awards were presented to Thimmashetty, Biligiramma, Nagaraju, Revamma, Shivabuddhi, Mani, K. Ravichandra, Chikkathayamma and Jilla Yuva Janapada Awards were presented to Kamala Rajesh, Sumanth Vahishta, Veena Sharada, Mahadeva, Anagatti Devaraj, Mahesh, B.S. Ajaikumar and Naganayaka.

Former District Kannada Sahitya Parishat President Prof. N. Girigowda, Director of College Education Dr. Appajigowda, Assistant Controller of Department of Weights and Measures M.S. Kumar, State Researchers Association President S. Maridevaiah, UoM Researchers Association President C. Mahesh and others were present.

Natyacharya Vishnudas memorial Nrityotsava enthrals art lovers

Mysuru, Dec. 31 (SPN&BS)- Vidushi Dr. Kripa Phadke of Nrityagiri Academy of Performing Arts and Research Centre said "Natyacharya M. Vishnudas has made vast contributions to preserve and nurture the dance form in the city."

She was speaking during 32nd Nrityotsava organised in commemoration of Natyacharya M. Vishnudas, by Bharatiya Nritya Kala Parishath, at Ganabharati auditorium, Kuvempunagar here on Wednesday.

A native of Muttathody Mardambile, Kasargod taluk in Kerala, Das was born in the year 1927. He later came to Mysuru and practiced dance under the tutelage of senior artiste Natyacharya K.S. Rajgopal and Natya Vidushi Puttakkaiah for eight years. He also practiced classical music under Rajashekaraiah and achieved fame as a vocalist too. A popular Natuvanga singer, he later founded Bharatiya Nritya Kala Parishath in the year 1977 and served as its President for 15 years, said Dr. Phadke.

The artistes practicing dance and music live for long and Vishnudas is the best example for the same. We can also see several other artistes who have dedicated their life for the cause of arts and have lived long, she said.

The following dance troupes gave Bharatanatyam performances on the occasion: Vidushi C.N. Anita and troupe, Nritya Vidyapeetha, Mysuru, Vidushi Vidyashankar and troupe, Sri Mathruka Cultural Trust, Vidwan T.S. Sag and troupe, Sri Sai Raman Nritya Kendra, Tumakuru, Tanvi Prakash of Sri Marikamba Nrityakala Kendra, Bengaluru, Meghana Bhat and Vidwan R. Pavan Kumar, disciples of Acharya Kannan Ramanujam and Vidushi Vidya Rao of Sri Durga Dance Academy, Mysuru.

Vidushi Vidya Ravishankar of Sri Mathruka Cultural Trust, Bengaluru was conferred 'Nritya Kala Sindhu' Award on the occasion.

Vidushi Usha Venugopal, Vidushi V. Bhavana and Vidushi Kumudini Achchi were present.

Theatre can survive with audience love

Mysuru, Dec. 31 (SPN&BS)- Senior theatre person Prof. H.S. Umesh said "The field of theatre can survive only with the patronage of good-hearted persons than those who watch plays by buying ticket."

He was speaking after inaugurating two-day Natakotsava organised by Nadaranga Samsthe at Mini Theatre in Kalamandira in the city on Wednesday.

Saying that the number of audience who have gathered to watch the play 'Sri Krishnaleelamrita' doesn't assume significance than those who love the medium of theatre, Prof. Umesh said "There is no binding on thousands of people to watch the play. It is enough that the play touches the heart of even two good hearted persons. Those who buy ticket may rent whistle and also applause, but lack good heartedness to encourage theatre."

Another theatre person Rajashekar Kadamba said "There was a feeling that theatre activities will vanish with the emergence of COVID-19 pandemic. Now, theatre is making sound across the country and amateur theatre troupes are also organising theatre festivals, which is truly a sign of good development. The theatre activities should be constantly organised in the city. It is a medium of entertainment and all types of media are encouraging with wide publicity."

The students of Gurukala School, Mysuru, staged the play 'Sri Krishnaleelamrita' written by Susheelendra Rao Kulkarni and directed by H.S. Kavita Dhananjaya.

Maharaja's PU College Principal N. Udayashankar, Nadaranga Samsthe's Nagendra and others were present.

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  Kaatera (K) - 4 Shows
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- **Mahadeshwara Theatre** — **Mob: 99008-20093**
  Kaatera (K) - 4 Shows
- **Rajkamal Theatre** — **Ph: 2423554**
  Kaatera (K) - 4 Shows
- **Thibbadevi Theatre** — **Ph: 2452958**
  Salaar: Cease Fire - Part 1 (H) - 4 Shows
- **Sangam Theatre** — **Ph: 2520494**
  Salaar: Cease Fire - Part 1 (K) - 3 Shows; *Salaar (H)* - 8.15 pm
- **Padma Theatre** — **Ph: 2521923**
  Devil: The British Secret Agent (Te) - 4 Shows
- **Balaji Theatre** — **Ph: 2497199**
  Animal (H) - 4 Shows
- **Lido Theatre** — **Ph: 2420885**
  Kaiva (K) - 4 Shows
- **Prabha Theatre** — **Mob: 98454-14691**
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DRC CINEMAS — Ph: 4240422, 4241800

Kaatera (K)	(S-1)	9.20 am, 7.05 pm, 10.30 pm
	(S-3)	7.00 pm
	(S-4)	9.20 am, 12.40 pm, 4 pm
Dunki (H)	(S-1)	12.40 pm
	(S-4)	7.25 pm, 10.30 pm
Salaar: Cease Fire - Part 1 (Te)	(S-1)	3.40 pm; (S-2) 7.10 pm
	(S-3)	10.25 pm
Salaar: Cease Fire - Part 1 (K)	(S-2)	3.50 pm
	(S-3)	9.30 am, 12.55 pm
Devil: The British Secret Agent (Te)	(S-2)	9.15 am, 10.30 pm
Animal (H)	(S-2)	12.05 pm
Aquaman & The Lost Kingdom (E-3D)	(S-3)	4.20 pm

MVC MYSURU VISION CINEMAS — Ph: 0821 - 2973519

Kaatera (K)	:	9.40 am, 10 am, 1.15 pm
		1.55 pm, 4.45 pm, 5.30 pm
		6.15 pm, 9.30 pm, 9.45 pm
Salaar: Cease Fire - Part 1 (K)	:	10 am, 6 pm
Salaar: Cease Fire - Part 1 (Te)	:	1.30 pm, 9.45 pm
Dunki (H)	:	1.30 pm, 9.30 pm

PVR CINEMAS — 4K Dolby 7.1

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Kaatera (K)	:	8.10 am, 10.45 am, 11.45 am
		2.20 pm, 3.10 pm, 5.55 pm
		6.45 pm, 9.30 pm, 10.20 pm
Dunki (H)	:	8.35 am, 12.25 pm, 3.30 pm
		6.50 pm, 10.00 pm
Salaar: Cease Fire - Part 1 (H)	:	8.50 am, 11.00 am, 3.20 pm
		6.55 pm, 10.30 pm
Salaar: Cease Fire - Part 1 (Te)	:	11.55 am, 6.10 pm
Salaar: Cease Fire - Part 1 (K)	:	2.35 pm, 9.45 pm
Devil: The British Secret Agent (Te)	:	9.20 am, 3.45 pm, 10.10 pm
Aquaman & the Lost Kingdom (E-3D)	:	12.25 pm
Neru (Ma)	:	6.50 pm

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Kaatera (K)	:	7.55 am, 11 am, 11.30 am
		3.05 pm, 6.10 pm, 6.40 pm
		10:15 pm
Salaar: Cease Fire - Part 1 (Te)	:	8.10 am, 11.45 am
		3.20 pm, 10.30 pm
Salaar: Cease Fire - Part 1 (H)	:	2.35 pm, 9.45 pm
Salaar: Cease Fire - Part 1 (K)	:	6.55 pm
Dunki (H)	:	9.40 am, 4.05 pm, 10.30 pm
Devil: The British Secret Agent (Te)	:	1.00 pm, 7.25 pm

EVENTS TODAY (DEC. 31)

- **Kannada Sahitya Kalakoota, Mysuru and Kannada Sahitya Parishat, City Unit:** Suwarna Karnataka Rajyotsava, artist U.G. Mohan Kumar Aradhya's painting expo, Suchitra Art Gallery, Kalamandira premises, **up to 7 pm.** [Entry Free]
- **Mysore Palace Board:** Winter Flower Show, **up to 9 pm;** Palace illumination, **7 pm to 9 pm;** Cultural Programme - Karnatak and English Band by Police Department, **11 pm to 12 midnight;** New Year celebrations by Mysore Palace Board. Bursting of colourful soundless crackers, Palace premises, **12 midnight to 12.15 am.**
- **Future Foundation Montessori School, Kanakadasanagar and Somanathapura:** Annual Day, B.K. Chandrashekare Gowda, Professor of Political Science (retd.) and Founder, Vishwamanava Vidyaniketana Institution, Mysuru, chief guest, Dr. J. Manjunatha Swamy, Former Director, Teva Pharmaceuticals, Bengaluru, guest speaker, Ganabharathi, Kuvempunagar, **4 pm.**
- **Sri Lakshminarasimha Swamy Temple, Sri Yadugiri Yathiraja Mutt:** Dhanurmasa Puja, darshan timings, Temple premises, Sri Yadugiri Yathiraja Mutt, Kalidasa Road, V.V. Mohalla, **4.30 pm to 7.30 pm.**
- **Ramsons Kala Pratishtana and Indian Heritage Cities Network:** Art Show titled 'Trees, Water, Stardust' by Aadirika Kaddu and Desai Somesh, The Heritage House, Saraswathipuram, **4.30 pm to 8.30 pm;** 'Search for Beauty' - Contemporary dance by Shwetha Ramesh; Interactive reading with Sangeetha Alwar, **7.30 pm to 8 pm.**
- **Sri Ramakrishna Ashram:** Swami Sarvajayananda speaks on 'Sri Sri Ramakrishna Charite,' Ashram premises, Yadavagiri, **6 pm.**
- **Hebbar Sri Vaishnava Sabha, Bengaluru - Hebbar Sri Vaishnava Upasabha, Mysuru:** Tirupavai Kalakshepa (discourse) by Vid. M.K. Shelvanarayana, Sri Rama Mandira, Krishnamurthypuram, **6.15 pm to 7.30 pm.**
- **Rangayana, Mysuru:** Staging of play 'Kakanakote,' written by Masti Venkatesh Iyengar, directed by S. Ramanath, Vanaranga, Rangayana premises, **6.30 pm.**
- **Natana School of Theatre Arts:** Staging of play 'Mahamayi,' written by Dr. Chandrashekara Kambar and directed by Natana School of Theatre Arts Principal Megha Sameer, Natana premises, Ramakrishnanagar, **6.30 pm.**
- **Avadhoota Datta Peetham:** 4k Projection Mapping on 45-ft tall Karya Siddhi Hanuman statue, Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda (SGS) Ashram, Dattanagar, Nanjangud Road, (3 Shows) **7.10 pm, 7.40 pm and 8.10 pm.** [Note: If rain or wind persists shows will be cancelled]

EVENTS TOMORROW (JAN. 1, 2024)

- **Sri Lakshminarasimha Swamy Temple, Sri Yadugiri Yathiraja Mutt:** Dhanurmasa Puja, darshan timings, Temple premises, Sri Yadugiri Yathiraja Mutt, Kalidasa Road, V.V. Mohalla, **5.30 am to 10.30 am and 4.30 pm to 7.30 pm.**
- **Ursu Mahila Jagruti Sabha Trust, Mysuru:** Writer Dr. Chaduranga's (Dr. Subramanya Raje Urs) 109th birth anniversary celebrations, Ursu Mandali Sangha Mysuru President HMT Lingaraje Urs inaugurates, Ursu Mahila Jagruti Sabha Trust Hon. President B. Vijaya Urs presides, writer, critic and Rajyotsava awardee Dr. C. Naganna main speaker, KUMC Trust President B.S. Sridhar Raje Urs presents 'Dr. Chaduranga Award' to P. Sarala (Assistant Administrative Officer, Karnataka Police Academy), Arun Kumar Raje Urs (Butterfly Researcher), Lakshmi Kishore Urs (youth poet writer, lecturer), Preethi Urs (President, Gram Panchayat, Bettada Tunga) and J.M. Madaraje Urs (President, Ursu Mandali Sangha, Mandya); Dr. Chaduranga's daughter-in-law Vijayalakshmi chief guest, Media Academy Awardee Dr. MGR Urs will be present, Institution of Engineers-India (IEI), JLB Road, **10 am.**
- **Kannada & Culture Department, District Administration and Vishwakarma Amarashilpi Jakanachari Jayanthyotsava Samiti:** Vishwakarma Amarashilpi Jakanachari Memorial Day celebrations, Mysuru District Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa inaugurates in the presence of CM Siddaramaiah, Animal Husbandry Minister K. Venkatesh guest of honour, Chamaraja MLA K. Harishgowda presides, Professor Dr. T.K. Kempegowda main speaker, Kalamandira, **10.30 am.**
- **Hari Vidyalaya:** Hari Sourabha 2023-24, retd. senior scientist of CFTRI Kollegal Sharma chief guest, singer Shree Harsha special invitee, Hari Vidyalaya Hon. Secretary H.R. Bhagavan presides, Sri Vedantha Deshika Mantapa, Hari Vidyalaya, Bogadi, **4.30 pm.**
- **Ramsons Kala Pratishtana and Indian Heritage Cities Network:** Art Show titled 'Trees, Water, Stardust' by Aadirika Kaddu and Desai Somesh, The Heritage House, Saraswathipuram, **4.30 pm to 8.30 pm.**
- **Elder Citizens Council, Mysuru:** Monthly Lecture Series on health and interesting subjects, Talk by Dr. Prathiba Pereira, Professor and Head, Department of Geriatrics, JSS Medical College and Hospital, Mysuru, on 'Managing chronic illness and promoting healthy aging for elders,' Saraswathi Samudaya Bhavan, Hospital Road, Jayalakshmipuram, **5 pm.** [Mob: 99804-12406]
- **Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Research and Extension Centre, Manasagangothri:** 74th Constitution Day - Special Lecture Series, D. Mahadeva Kumar, Block Resource Co-ordinator, School Education Department, Kollegal, delivers lecture on 'Indian Constitution and Contemporary Education System,' H.M. Kamalakshi, Warden, Government Post-Matric Girls Hostel, Ramakrishnanagar 2nd Stage, **5.30 pm.**
- **Kala Sourabha Gana Vrinda, Mysuru:** 'Hosavarshada Hosa Hejje,' Kannada film songs singing programme, Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha, JLB Road, **6 pm.**
- **JSS Sangeetha Sabha Trust, Mysuru:** 5th anniversary of music programme 'Dhanyasi' in memory of renowned guru, violinist, Rajya Sangeetha Vidwan S. Mahadevappa, flute recital by renowned maestro Pt. Ronu Majumdar, accompanied by Pt. Ravindra Yavagal on tabla, Navajyothi Auditorium, JSS Women's College, Saraswathipuram, **6 pm.**
- **Hebbar Sri Vaishnava Sabha, Bengaluru - Hebbar Sri Vaishnava Upasabha, Mysuru:** Tirupavai Kalakshepa (discourse) by Vid. M.K. Shelvanarayana, Sri Rama Mandira, Krishnamurthypuram, **6.15 pm to 7.30 pm.**
- **Prajapita Brahma Kumari Ishwariya Vishwa Vidyalaya, Mysuru:** 'Sneha Milana' event for Journalists (Both Print and Electronic Media) and former MCC Corporators, Vidyalaya premises, 3rd Main Road, near Akashavani Circle, KRS Road, **6.30 pm.** [Mob: 94483-68019 or 79757-85643]

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Salar: Cease Fire - Part 1 (K)	(S-1)	3.10 pm, 10.20 pm
	(S-4)	6.35 pm
Aquaman & Lost Kingdom (E-3D)	(S-4)	3.50 pm
Devil: The British Secret Agent (Te)	(S-3)	4.05 pm; (S-4) 9.05 am
Kaatera (K)	(S-2)	11.00 am, 2.40 pm
		6.20 pm, 10.00 pm
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Salaar: Cease Fire - Part 1 (K)	:	10.10 am, 5.25 pm
Salaar: Cease Fire - Part 1 (Te)	:	11.15 am, 2.50 pm, 6.25 pm
Salaar: Cease Fire - Part 1 (H)	:	10.00 pm
Devil: The British Secret Agent (Te)	:	12.50 pm, 7.15 pm
Neru (Ma)	:	9.00 pm

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